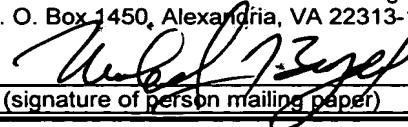
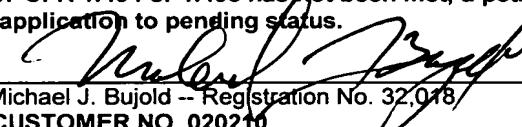


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371																
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/CH2004/000579	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE September 14, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED September 18, 2003														
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR THE AUTOMATIC ENVELOPING OF SMALL ITEMS, SUCH AS DOCUMENTS, AND DEVICE USED TO IMPLEMENT SAME																
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Gianfranco PASSONI																
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:																
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).</p> <p>4. <input type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.</p> <p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (PCT/IB/308 mailed March 24, 2005) c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) </p> <p>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached.</p> <p>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. </p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Unsigned oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</p>																
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<p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 with PTO/SB/08a/08b.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification w/Marked-Up Version of Amended Specification.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</p> <p>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <table border="0"> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Examination Report</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of Request</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Annexes to Pre. Ex. Rep.</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Submission of Formal Drawings</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Search Report</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9 sheets of formal drawings</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> German Novelty Search Report</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6 copies of citations</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant Claims Small Entity Status</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/308</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Notification of File Missing Parts</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Publ. No. WO 2005/025889 (Face page only)</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> German Language Specification</td> </tr> </table> </p>			<input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Examination Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copy of Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Annexes to Pre. Ex. Rep.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Submission of Formal Drawings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Search Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9 sheets of formal drawings	<input type="checkbox"/> German Novelty Search Report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6 copies of citations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant Claims Small Entity Status	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form PCT/IB/308	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of Notification of File Missing Parts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Publ. No. WO 2005/025889 (Face page only)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> German Language Specification
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I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the papers indicated as being transmitted therewith is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date March 17, 2006 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mailing Label Number <u>EV 681474915 US</u> addressed to the: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.																
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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>550</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>04-0213</u> in the amount of \$ <u> </u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>04-0213</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p>					
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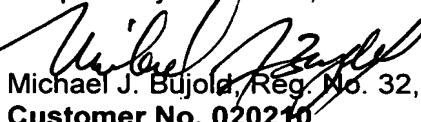
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Enclosed please find nine (9) sheets of new formal drawings which are to be entered
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